alignment of the West Coast Road was sanctioned by the Government of India under the West Coast Road development programme. The work could not be taken up, as the question of final alignment of the West Coast Road was under consideration. The coastal route has been recently approved by the Government of India as the final alignment of West Coast Road and the question of taking up this work meeting the cost out of State Funds, will be examined.

Supply of "Mysore Gazette" and the Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly to the Libraries.

Q.—1088. Sri B. R. SUNTHANKAR (Belgaum City).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether they are aware that the Government of the former Bombay State was regularly supplying copies of the Government Gazette and the Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly to the District Libraries in the Bombay area integrated in this State ;

(*b*) Whether it is a fact that since 1st November 1956 no copies of the *Mysore Gazette* and the other Government publications are supplied to these libraries ;

(*c*) whether they have received any communication from the Belgaum General Library in this respect ;

(*d*) if so, the action, if any, they have taken or they propose to take in the matter ?

A.—Sri V. VENKATAPPA (Minister for Education).—

(*a*) (1) Yes.

(2) This Government is not aware of it.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) Does not arise in view of reply to clause (*c*).

Uniform Rates of Revenue Assessment.

Q.—258. Sri M. S. PATTAN (Ramdurg).—

Will the Govnrnment be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether they are aware of varying rates of revenue assessment in North Karnatak area (formerly forming part of some small States) ;

(*b*) whether they are also aware of the injustice done to persons, paying local cess and higher rates of revenue assessment so far in that area ;

(*c*) whether they intend to set up a Committee for the purpose of examining all such cases and for bringing in uniformity in those rates ;

(*d*) the period required for the completion of the above work ?

A.—Sri M. P. PATIL (Minister for Revenue).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The Government are aware of the situation in this matter.

(*c*) The work is being done by the Department of Settlement and Land Records in the State.

(*d*) It is expected to complete the work before the end of the next Revenue year.

The Postponement of the Date for Vesting the Assets of the Electricity Company, Mangalore.

Q.—627. Sri K. PUTTASWAMY (Mysore).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether they have postponed the date of vesting the assets of the Mangalore Electricity Power Supply Company ;

(*b*) if so, the date that was originally fixed for vesting and the date on which the actual vesting of the assets took place ;

(*c*) whether the Managing Agents of the said Company moved the Government for postponement of the said date ;

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(*d*) if so, the reasons therefor;

(*e*) the amount of compensation that has been paid or has become payable to that company ?

A.—Sri H. K. VEERANNA GOWDH (Minister for Public Works).—

(*a*) No.

(*b*) Does not arise.

(*c*) Does not arise.

(*d*) Does not arise.

(*e*) A rough estimate of the compensation payable has been made under Section 11 (2) of Madras Electricity Undertaking (Acquisition) Act, 1954 and that amounts to Rs. 21,66,760.

Statutory Recognition of Homœopathy system of Medicine.

Q.—706. Sri D. ABDUL RASHID (Kolar).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether they have received any representation for the statutory recognition of Homœopathic system of medicine in the State ;

(*b*) whether it is under their consideration to recognise Homœopathy in the State and to register its practitioners ?

A.—Sri R. M. PATIL (Minister for Health).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

Appointment of Secretary, Belgaum District Development Board.

Q.—711. Sri N. O. SAMAJI (Belgaum II).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the name of the Secretary, Belguam District Development Board ;

(*b*) when and by whom the appointment is made ;

(*c*) whether any rules are framed describing the educational qualifications for the appointment of the said post ; and if not, why ;

(*d*) the salary sanctioned for this post ;

(*e*) the educational qualification of the present Secretary ;

(*f*) whether it is a fact that the persent Secretary is also the Secretary, District Congress ;

(*g*) the reasons for appointing a Congress worker ?

A.—Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA (Chief Minister).—

(*a*) Sri B. Y. Deshpande *alias* Annu Guruji.

(*b*) The appointment of the Hon'ble Secretary, District Development Board, was made by Government of Bombay by A. & F. Department Resolution No. 7749 dated the 15th September 1952. The Secretaries of the District Development Boards are appointed by Government.

(*c*) There are no hard and fast rules regarding the educational qualifications required for the appointment on such posts.

(*d*) There is no salary sanctioned for the post. But an amount of Rs. 150 is sanctioned as honorarium per month *plus* Rs. 125 P.T.A.

(*e*) The present Hon'ble Secretary has passed the Kanarese Vernacular School Final and he also knows Marathi, English and Hindi.

(*f*) Yes.

(*g*) The present Secretary is a good social worker interested in rural development. It would be incorrect to say that he has been appointed because he happens to be a Congress worker.

Non-availability of Prescribed Applications of the Public Service Commission.

Q.—1033. Sri Y. MANJAYA SHETTY (Baindur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether the Public Service Commission has called for applications for recruitment of clerks from candidates of the merged areas ;